LAST EDITION.

MONDAY EVENING.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, JANUARY 25, 1904.

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TWO CENTS.

Hansas Midwinter Exposition Opens This Afternoon.

Prospects for Better Show Than Ever Before.

KANSAS OIL FIELDS.

They Are Well Represented in the Display.

Products of Natural Gas Fields Shown.

Entertainment Features Good as Can Be Found.

With the mercury bidding a lingering farewell to the zero point and starting on its downward journey to where it is still colder the third Kansas Midwinter exposition opened in the Auditorium ture. this afternoon. As a consequence of the cold the afternoon attendance will probably not figure up into a heavy total. However, a little more time was needed for some of the late exhibitors to get

strength; the "2" Hewitts, equiliibrists, and Tamaichi Yukawa, Japa-nese juggler. The Japanese secured by United S Manager Brigham are the real article. Senor Francella and his wife, the "strong arm" artists had been delayed in coming from Chicago and had not arrived early this afternoon. They will be here by tonight in any event. Mr. Namba and his sister, Miss, Senora or Mile. Otoro, just as you prefer, do not know much English. Otoro has a bet-ter command of the language than has Namba. A reporter undertook to in-terview them on the subject of the Russo-Japanese war but Namba drop-Russo-Japanese war but Namba drop-ped out of the conversation and left his stater to be interviewed. She has cyl-dently been keeping in touch with the political and military situation in her

native country. She said: "Japan could raise an immense arm;

rorth the ranking of Kansas among the various other oil, zinc, cement and gypsum production of oil and mineral products during the fifteen years or more since the beginning of the development of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the products of the products of the products of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the products of the products of the products of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the products of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the gas fields are also represented by the products of the gas fields are also for information as to the number of horses, carriages and automobiles maintained at the expenses of the goving the scretary of horses, carriages and automobiles maintained at the expenses of the goving the scretary of horses, carriages and automobiles maintained at the expenses of the goving the scretary of horses, carriages and automobiles maintained at the expenses of the goving the scretary of horses, carriages and automobiles maintained at the expenses of the goving the scretary of horses, carriages and automobiles maintained at the expenses of the goving the complete paraphernalia with which an oil well is dug is set up in the booth, Beside this is a statement showing the precise cost of drilling. A well of given the calendar year," saving the complete of the senate to send the resolution to send the resolution of the products to the shaft, crazed with the mouth of the pit was pitiful. Hundred the mouths of the shaft, crazed with the mouth of the pit was pitiful. Hundred to the senate to the shaft, crazed with the mouth of the pit was pitiful. Hundred to the senate in executive sension."

As quickly as possible a rescuing party was organized, but no one has as yet been able to descend into the mouth of the senate with the mouth of the shaft, crazed with the mouth of the senate, in the mouth of the shaft,

mease cement producing industry which has put Kansas in the front runk of all the producers of this commodity. Samples of Iola Portland cement are shown. They barrels made of stance shaped in the forms suitable for testing, fill a show case. Every consignment of cement is tested for its tensile strength. A large square block of clear green glass represents the prosignment of cement is tested for its tensile strength. A large square block of clear green glass represents the product of the new Montgomery county glass plant. In other portions of the display are samples of tola and Coffeyville brick, roofing tile and decorative burned tiling in various colors. This exhibit contains also many samples of oil in its natural condition as drawn from wells in different portions of the oil producing territory.

GLIMPSE AT THE BOOTHS.

The new breakfast and health foods

while the Hall Lithographing company has its display in the corresponding po-sition on the south side of the build-

Music will be furnished at the afternoon and evening entertainments by Marshail's band. Watson's orchestra and other musical organizations of the city. The main floor of the stage is kept cleared for the use of the perfomers. The rear has been transformed into a dressing room with a very fomers. The rear has been transformed into a dressing room with a very artistically decorated front. This faculde is one of the most striking features of the decoration and is highly chreditable to W. W. Gissespie and B. F. Flenniken, Jr., who got it np. Stairways on either side of the stage lead to the balcony.

EXHIBITS. Oil and gas exhibits.
Hall Stationery company.
Horlick's Food company.
H. B. Howard, machine work.
Miller Pasteurizing company, Canton.

E. B. MacDowell, typewriter.

H. Fernald, tile.

E. P. Jordan, electric, Loose-Wiles Candy & Cracker com-pany, Kansas City, J. K. Jones, paints. Sturges, Burns & Co., Kansas City,

Chas. Wolff Packing company, meats. Otto Kuchne & Co., pickles and preerves. Crosby Bros., dry goods and furni-

Knelpp Malt Food company, Manito-Continental Creamery company.

National Soap company, Leaven-Crane & Co., publishers. C. W. Douglas & Son., St. Joseph,

sas City, Mo. Mokaska Manufacturing company, St.

United States Separator company, Bellows Falls, Vermont. Kistler-Metzler Mercantile company.

National Heating company, Omaha and Kansas City. Empire Separator company, Bloomfield. Jensen Manufacturing company.

WANTS WHOLE STORY

in Panama Affair.

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"Japan could raise an immense army fit is proved to be necessary. But I do not think it will be. Neither side wants to fight very hadly and I do not think it will be. Neither side wants to fight very hadly and I do not think it will be. Neither side wants to fight very hadly and I do not think it will be. Neither side wants to fight very hadly and I do not think the will be any war. Japan is agraid along Mr. Culberson introduced the resolution drawn by a committee and for Russia is safetil to start a war with help. No, I do not think there will be any war." And the diminutive hady excused herself from a conversation limbular before the series of the committee were Senators Gorman, Culberson, Curmack and Cockrell. The many wars collection of exhibits covers a wider field of manufacturing than the will be also playing for manufacturing than the minimum evolute winter expositions. While the displaying for manufacturing than the minimum temperature of the correspondence and notes be playing for manufacturing than the minimum temperature of industries of more real importance to the state than the minimum temperature of the search of

well is thing is set up in the booth. Beside this is a statement showing the precise cost of drilling. A well of average death costs about \$1,760.

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the previous question and on this Hitchcock called for the yeas and noes, which
were ordered.

Delegate Kalanianole of Hawaii introduced bills in the house today prohibiting
the employment of Mongolians on public
works in Hawaii and making eight hours
a day's work in such employment; also

ARMOUR BROKE MARKET

This Turned Loose 1,500,000 Bushels of Wheat.

MINE HIT BY COLD WAVE BURTO

by an Explosion.

So Far Fail.

rounding County.

nates Gather at Pit Month.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 25.—Between 125 either killed outright by the explosion des. or have been suffocated by the gas. A light snow began falling this morn the mine, 150 working inside and the the forecast a snow storm, which the tipple were badly burned by the gard, may be expected. their displays into shape. By tonight the Auditorium will be in as complete a condition as possible. The entertainment features are all ready and the pany, Quincy, Ill.

Topeka Faper company.

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Sugar City Cereal mills, Norfolk, Neb.

DeLaval Separator company, Chicago.

Ocoffeyville Bottle & Glass company, Chicago.

Coffeyville, Kan.

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Mokaska Manufacturing company, St.

Joseph, Mo.

United States Separator company,
Bellows Falls, Vermont.

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Kistler-Metzler Mercantile company,
Riker Pertumery company, New York

Interest and imprisoned the men is not known. There have been no means as yet of finding the exact nature of the disaster and the number of men killed. If the main entrance can not be cleared so that the men can get fresh air all will have perished in the course of a few hours.

With the knowledge that scores of lives depend on the prompt action of local depress below. Up to today the coldest weather recorded during the coldest we

With the knowledge that scores of lives depend on the prompt action of lives depend on the mouth of the mine, an excited gang of men was working with might and main. Help was summoned from all sources available and as many men as are assisting in the work of rescue as can conveniently work there. Half a dozen men working near the mouth of the pit on the tipple were caught in the weekage and a number were seriously injured. One man, it is thought, can not recover. The other working away from the shaft and assessing the mouth of the storm is through the southern statements, except to Colonel San Sunday after the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm had passed out meridian the wind backed to the lives of the storm in the work of the storm is through the said my conduct, my thought, can not recover. The other men employed on the tipple were work-ing away from the shaft and escaped

and mine forehan are also in the mine, as delow, on the start of the mine after the men had begun working. In the tipple at the mouth of the shaft were the weighmaster and three assistants. Several cars of coal had been sistants. Several cars of coal had been several cars of ca brought out and work was proceeding as usual when the signal was given from the bottom of the shaft that another car was ready. The cage with a mule on board was sent down. Just as the cage reached the bottom of the shaft there was a terrific explosion and the cage was blown out of the shaft and through the top of the roof of the tipple, wrecking the weighmaster's

More Than 100 Men Entombed Genuine Blizzard Sweeps Over Indicted Kansas Senator Starts for St. Louis.

Efforts to Reach the Victims Mercury Drops Below Zero and Says He Has Nothing to Add to Keeps Going. Statement.

Kansas Today.

Help Pours in from the Sur. That Is the Prediction of Mr. Law Provides for Two Years in Jennings.

Wives and Children of Unfortu- Explains What Has Caused the Can Not Be Arrested During Storm.

The severest cold wave of the season OFFICIAL BLUNDERS. and 150 men were entombed today by began sweeping across Kansas Sunday, an explosion in the shaft of the Har- gaining in intensity hourly, with the wick Coal company, near Cheswick. indication that the coldest point will They Began Almost as Soon as It is believed that many of them were not be reached before tonight or Tues-

ing to liberate the men imprisoned in- flakes drifted and gave the street cars Rialto Company Was One of Several hundred men are at work try. ing. The fall was not heavy, but the side. About 200 men are employed at considerable difficulty. According to remainder on the tipple. The men on give the cold wave the effect of a bliz-

explosion. With a loud report and an upheaval like an earthquake the wood-

east and northeast and the temperature began to fail. The temperature reached the highest point Saturday night and has been going down ever since. The mercury got up to 26 Saturday night and has been going down ever since Sunday morning about 5 o'clock. The high barometer is exping flown from Manitoba and the win is blowing in a spiral ant from it. The wind is belowing

The snow at 2 o'clock arrounted to two-tenths of an inch. The wind was north, blowing 18 miles an hour.

Temperatures reported from the Kan-

Before the miners went to work this morning Fire Boss Gordon went into the mine and made his usual inspection. He reported that everything was stations at 7 o'clock this morning were as follows: Abilene, 8 below zero; tion. He reported that everything was all right. One hundred and fifty safety lamps were taken out this morning, so it is known that there are that number of miners in the mine. The fire boss and mine foreman are also in the mine. It below: At Bismarck, 30 below; Chicago, and mine foreman are also in the mine. It below: Omaha, 16 below; St. Paul, 32 below; Chicago, and mine foreman are also in the mine.

Lines

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Reports received at the Santa Fe general offices this morning indicate that the weather throughout Kansas and the west is about the same as that which exists in Topeka. In Colorado and Texas, however, the reports show milder weather. The report from Pueblo shows one inch of snow and that from Clebarne states that this temperature has not gene below if degrees above at that point. At Wellington 12 degrees above is reported as the coldest weather so far. Twenty above is reported at Purcell, I. T., and at Chanute 3 above. The report from Hilmons states that the weather is cold and it is snowing hard. In Missouri the temperature is 10 below and it is snowing. On the eastern division, which includes that part of the line lying between Kansas City, Newton and Arkansas City, Zero is the average temperature. It is stated that on the southern Kansas division it is cloudy and that the average temperature on that division, is 3 above. A heavy snow is reported at Bernard, Kan.

So far the had weather has not affected the time of the Sants Fe's eastbound trains, but in the east, where the weather is coldest, the trains are reported to be late. No. 1 is reported as two hours late and No. 5 an hour and five minutes late. No. 5 an hour and five minutes late. els of Wheal.

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CONDITION UNKNOWN. TO BE COLDER TONIGHT PENALTY IS SEVERE.

Prison and Heavy Fine.

Session of Congress.

He Was Elected.

Many of Its Kind.

Washington, Jan. 25.-Senator J. R.

my conduct, my every act in connection with the Rialto company or Major Dennis by raising my right hand," he said, "my hand would go up instantly."

He was engaged, he added, as general counsel, and was earning a legitimate attorney's fee when he accepted employment from Dennis and his company. He said he had telegraphed friends in St. Louis to meet him and would make no further statements, except to Colonel Pat Dwyer, upon whom he would call as soon as he arrived. He was as yet undecided as to his course, not having seen the indictment, but he would prove to the court, the jury and the world that he was innocent of any wrongdoing and that he had been employed in per-

ly, to influence any department in any shape in this or any other case since I have been a United States senator. I have not violated any law, nor is it my intention to seek vindication by any recomposition.

igencies of the situation may put Fourth Assistant Postmaster Joseph Bristow in the senate as a successor to

Chief Postoffice Inspector M. E. Cochran appeared in St. Louis and before the United States grand jury shortly after the report of Bristow on the postoffice scandals was made public. Undobtedly he received his information

doubtedly he received his information to come here from Bristow. Burton had simply been shown to have used his influence with the postoffice department and Bristow did not shift the matter to other shoulders.

Many stories are told of Burton's methods in politics. It is an invariable rule of the United States senate that a new member should in courtesy to his exaited position, remain modestly in the background for a short time at least. There was none of this for Burton. There was no man who was quicker to go after jobs for the politicians to whom he had become indebted in his long canvass for vacancies and it is probable that at the present time no western senator has more lieutenants in the employment of the na-

time ho western sensorment of the mational government.

Burton gained the senatorship after ten years of fighting. Cyrus Leland is the leader of the opposition to him. Burton succeeded in ousting Leland from the national committee and putting David Mulvane in his place. He beat Senator Baker for re-election after Leland had championed his cause. Burton is recognized as one of the best campaign orators in Kansas. He has a flowery delivery, graceful gestures and a command of language that is remarkable. He is not a particularity handsome man. His hair is black part of Thirty-second street. He apparently had struggled along until expanding cold and had dropped ly handsome man. His hair is black and usually combed back from the fore-head. He does not know what it is to quit after he has once begun a task. He is never tired. He has the ability to get and hold friends.

At the present time the two factions

At the present time the two factions in Kansas are nearly equally divided, though the Leland faction has possession of the governor and the state chairman. Last winter, the senate and legislature were under the control of different factions. E. W. Hoch is now championed as a candidate for governor by the Burton faction against Governor Railor.

nor by the Burton faction against Governor Bailey.

Previous to his election as United States senator, Burton served as special attorney for one of the Indian nations. Since his election, he has spent a great deal of time in St. Louis in connection with various schemes. He was connected with an institute of healing in Negrada Mo. A Cincinnati concern also

undecided as to his course, not having seen the indictment, but he would proved to the court, the fury and the world that he court, the fury and the world that he was innocent of any wrongdoing and that he had been employed in perfectly proper business.

In reply to the question whether he would demand an immediate trial, he as said his course would depend on the nature of the indictment. However, he was positive of being able to establish his innocence. He stated that he had received no official notification of his indictment, but he would not wait for it. He gave no intimation who would represent him as attorney in the case, care in the cases as the attorneys for the Rialto company, and Major Dennis and in the held the position of general counsel, subject to consultation at all times with reference to the different cases against the company.

The penalty provided upon conviction for the offense with which Senator Burton will probably show that he held the position of general counsel, subject to consultation at all times of not more than two years and a fine of not more than two years and a fine of not more than two years and a fine of not more than two years and a fine of not more than two years and a fine of not more than two years and a fine of not more than \$10,000 and on being so convicted shall be rendered in capable of holding office of trust, honor of emolument under the government case against the country.

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WHAT HE RECEIVED.

Washington, Jan. 25.—"Was there nothing incompatible with your duty as a United States senator in your being employed as counsel for this company." was asked of Senator Eurton has made an admission in health of the first of the

Was Burton a senator? This he will admit.

Did he receive the fee for services to be performed before the department? This he will hardly deny.

At the time of Senator Burton's visit to the postoffice denartment a number of facts were developed, which finally resulted in a newspaper story that obtained considerable circulation in Kansus papers. It was said that when Senator Burton approached Mr. Cochrane, the chief inspector, that official said he could do nothing in the case until he consulted with Mr. Bristow, the fourth assistant postmaster general, who was his chief. Senator Burtons are rivers a

Temperature Reaches 15 Below Zero in Chicago.

A Man Found Frozen to Death on the Street.

24 BELOW IN NEBRASKA

Fierce Storm of Snew Raging at Peoria.

hausted by the cold and had dropped unconscious and literally was frozen to death in his tracks in the snow. The morgue. There were countless instances of frozen hands and ears. Traffic was greatly hampered.

The bitter cold experienced today at 15 below is the most intense so far this winter in Chicago. Stretching to the northwest, the mercury shows a swiftly descending scale, the minimum in the United States being at Bismarck and Williston, in North Dakota, where the official figures are at 88 below zero.

the official figures are at 88 below zero. The crest of the wave is however beyond the national boundary line, Minnedosa, N. W. T., reporting 88 below. There are no telegraph stations northward from Minnedosa.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 25.—Street and railroad traffic is considerably delayed today because of a blizzard that has prevailed for several hours. While not the coldest day of the season, the thermometer stands at about 4 degrees above zero, a few points higher than the lowest point reached this winter. Bloomington, Ili., Jan. 25.—The tem-Bloomington, Ili., Jan. 26.—The temperature in central Illinois early today registered 12 degrees below zero, the coldest of the season. A heavy snowfall affects street railway traffic.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 25.—A severe blizzard is raging in Winnipeg. There have been several deaths. Omaha, Neb., Jan. 25.—Extrema cold

poor last night, no deaths have been reported today.

EXTENDS TO OKLAHOMA.

Guthrie, Ok., Jan. 25.—The first snow storm of the season began here this morning with prospects of continuing all day. It is general throughout Oklahom.

lahoma.

STOP THE FLOODS.

Cleveland. O., Jan. 25.—The prevailing cold wave has effectually checked the destruction from floods throughout northern and central Ohio. It is 4 below here today.

RIVERS FROZEN SOLID.

Keokuk, Ia., Jan. 25.—Both the Mississippi and the Des Moines rivers are closed, frozen almost solid. The thermometer is 8 below and falling. All rivers and creeks are bank full and frozen solid. Much danger is expected when the ice breaks in the spring.

RUSSIA'S PLAN.

To Come as Near as Possible to War and Miss It.

Berlin, Jan. 25.—As the German government understands the present situation, the feeling is such at Tokio that Japan will declare war unless Russia answers her demands favorably. Russia recognizes this and accordingly intends to accept enough of Japan's points to make the Tokio rabinet feel that a sufficient cause for war no longer exists, and while the forthcoming note will not fully satisfy Japan it will prevent the serious possibility of a declaration of war.